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UPLIFTMENT OF SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any policy for the upliftment of the small and marginal farmers of the country particularly those of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)to(c): National Agriculture Policy announced by Government of India in July, 2000accords due priority to upliftment of small and marginal farmers. Accordingly, the Government provides assistance to small and marginal farmers in the form of subsidized inputs, extension of technical know how, price support measures and promotion of allied activities so as to help them raise agriculture production and their income. In Rajasthan assistance is provided for production and distribution of certified seeds, plant protection chemicals, purchase of farm implements and equipment under farm mechanization and horticulture schemes like a drip irrigation, purchase of sprinkler sets etc., to the farmers including small and marginal farmers, in whose case the subsidy is higher than the subsidy given to others.